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Re: DOE RFI; Excess Uranium Management: Effects of DOE Transfers of Excess Uranium on Domestic Uranium Mining Industries

Dear Mr. Henderson,

I appreciate the opportunity to submit these comments regarding the management and transfer of excess uranium inventories (U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Request for Information). I understand efforts to use these assets for the benefit of the American taxpayer. I am, however, concerned about the Secretarial Determinations. DOE must follow the congressional directive that uranium transfers have no adverse impact on domestic uranium producers. These transfers add supply and the market is already awash with uranium.

Wyoming – the nation's largest producer of uranium is keenly interested in the impact of DOE's actions on domestic producers. Infusions of excess uranium into the market could exacerbate weak spot market prices and job losses in the uranium mining industry.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Matthew H. Mead
Governor

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cc: The Honorable Michael B. Enzi, U. S. Senate
The Honorable John Barrasso, U. S. Senate
The Honorable Cynthia Lummis, U. S. House of Representatives